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Docket No. 0690-0110P

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FOR:

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SAME AND USE OF SAME IN THE TREATMENT OF HEART DISEASE

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

February 14, 2000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM					\$260	\$ 0 . 00	
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<u>X</u>	Petition for one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17 and $1.136(a)$. \$ 110.00 for the extension of time.	S						
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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

February 14, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 1999, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to February 14, 2000, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows.

Page 13

Line 2, delete "constructed"

Line 9, change "homologue" to --homologous--

Page 14

Line 8, change "agaro sail" to --agarose gel--Line 13, change "agaro sail" to --agarose gel-- 00000113 09068751 78,00 0P 612,00 0P

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